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EASTERN AND WESTERN COLLEGE PEOPLE ENJOY VISIT TO CORVALLIS

FIND ENOUGH TO EAT AND ARE ABLE TO SLEEP ON BEDS PREPARED. EXPRESS MUCH PLEASURE FROM HOSPITALITY.

BIG MEN SAY WILLAMETTE VALLEY LOOKS GOOD TO THEM

Sixty Educators Come Up Valley Yesterday and Spend Night at Waldo Hall----
Get Two Meals There and Meet a Hundred or More Corvallis People During the Evening----Party Left on Special This Morning and Will Continue on to Portland tonight, Stopping at Albany, Salem and Chemawa.

The College presidents, directors of experiment stations and other dignitaries, scheduled for a stay in Corvallis from 5 p. m. yesterday to 9 p. m. this morning, have come and gone. They arrived on time, spent an hour or so about the Oregon Agricultural College grounds, ate from 7:45 to 9:45, participated in an formal reception lasting until 10:30, slept till 7 a. m., had breakfast, and left for Albany this morning on schedule time. If the expressions of these distinguished visitors may be accepted at their face value, they enjoyed the trip up the valley very much and found in Corvallis a delightful hospitality. They praised the sumptuous meals provided by Dean Greer and her help, found particular pleasure at the reception in chatting with Oregonians who hail from eastern states, insisted that at Waldo Hall they slept as well as they ever had in any bed, and were very pleased to view Corvallis and the Oregon Agricultural College. These people made up a jolly aggregation and gave every evidence of sincere enjoyment as well as of appreciation. Those who came on the special are as follows:

President W. E. Stone, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.
President A. B. Storms, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.
President J. H. Connell, Oklahoma Agricultural College, Stillwater, Okla.
President E. R. Nichols, Kansas Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kansas; daughter and son.
President C. A. Lory, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.
E. J. Wickson, director California station, Berkeley.
Prof. Carpenter,
Mr. J. W. Bailey, State Food and Dairy Commissioner, Portland.
Mr. Phillip S. Bates, Editor of the Pacific Northwest, Portland; and wife and child.
Mr. Tom Richardsan, Manager of the Portland Commercial Club; and two daughters.
W. L. Hutchinson, director Mississippi station.
Prof. & Mrs. Graham.
H. Garman, Kentucky station, Lexington.
Townsend.
Hon. H. C. Atwell, President State Board of Horticulture, Portland.
B. Van Herff, New York.
Prof. & Mrs. Brooks, (Massachusetts) and Mr. Brooks, Jr.,
C. P. Gillette, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins.
W. P. Headen, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins.
Dr. J. R. Cardwell, veteran Horticulture.
W. L. Volck, Watsonville.
Amos.
Director Mumford, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.
Thomas F. Hunt, Pennsylvania State College, and Mrs. Hunt and Miss Hunt.
H. B. Diller, Chicago.
Acker.

Arthur Goss, director Purdue station, Lafayette, Ind.
O. W. and S. D. Hall.
J. D. Lee
J. C. Elliott, Oklahoma station, and Mrs. Elliott.
Riley.
Director P. H. Rolfe, Florida Station, Crego.
L. F. Boyle, New York station, Ithaca.
J. D. Towar, director Wyoming station, Laramie.
A. W. Stewart, Galt, Fla.
W. S. Thornber, Washington station, Pullman.
Williamson.
Prince, of Dundee.
Director Davenport, wife and daughter, of Illinois.
Dean Burnett, of Nebraska.

Corvallis would have been glad to offer these people elaborate entertainment, but Portland dignitaries responsible for these side trips made it definitely understood that all they wanted was comfort, and this idea was adhered to. The only variance from this plan was the singing of Genevieve Baum-Gaskins at the reception. She sang "The Goblins 'll Get You" and an encore. This added pleasure to comfort. This reception was attended by a hundred or more Corvallis people. Dr. Kerr and college professors made such introductions as were possible and a very pleasant hour was spent there.

Pleased With Valley

The great educators talked freely but not so specifically. They were pleased with the valley, surprised at its extent and apparent wonderful productiveness, but as they had stopped at only two places for a few minutes they were unable to express themselves definitely in regard to the particular section. However, a few did as follows:

Charles A. Long, president of the Colorado Agricultural College in reply to the question, "Well did you see anything that looked good to you?" said: "Yes, everything looked good. The trip through the valley was delightful in every sense. The Willamette is certainly a wonderful valley. The Hood River trip was also a fine one but that is a small valley—and half of Hood River is the advertising. Really you people have one thing developed to perfection, and that is your advertising. The Ft. Collins Commercial Club thinks it knows a few things, but it does not know the A B C of advertising."

A number of Hoosiers were gathered about Pres. W. E. Stone, of Purdue University, Indiana. "The Willamette looks like it will grow anything, and at present seems to be growing everything luxuriantly," said he. "In places it looks as far developed as the better and more populous sections of Indiana. I wish some Hoosiers had just a little of your spirit. Nothing

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THE NEWPORT EXCURSIONS

ARE YAQUINA BAY BOATS AS SAFE AS THEY SHOULD BE?

"MARINE" WRITES A LETTER

Says Laws Are Very Stringent and Should Be Adhered To--Tells How Inspectors Do Things in Washington--Some Marine Facts.

EDITOR DAILY-GAZETTE-TIMES:

In a recent issue you published a letter from a gentleman calling attention to the unsafe condition of the life preservers used on the steamers plying on Yaquina bay and the general unsafe condition of those craft. Having never had the pleasure(?) of making a trip on any of these boats I am in no position to say a word either one way or the other about them. However, if the conditions do exist, as your correspondent says they do, it is high time they were remedied.

During the past ten years I have lived on the coast and have resided at seaports nearly all that time, and have had the opportunity of observing the equipment and devices on all kinds of passenger steamers. It is a rare thing, indeed, to find any of the boats plying on Puget Sound, Grays Harbor, Willapa Harbor or any of the other waters of Washington equipped with anything but the latest life saving apparatus and the masters of the boats are very careful to see that the life preservers are in first-class shape all the time, and the places where they are kept marked in large letters so that if an accident should happen the passengers will know where to find the means to keep them afloat should there be danger of being thrown into the water.

Law Against Overcrowding

Another thing I have heard since I have been in Corvallis. That is the overcrowding of the Yaquina bay steamers. There is a very stringent law covering the overloading of any passenger carrying craft. In all licenses of this class of boats there is a clause specifically stating how many persons such ship may carry at one time, and by "person" it means an infant in arms as well as an adult. I have seen a man, wife and a child held back because the ship had its quota with the exception of one or two, and the child, if you will, would have made one over the number allowed the ship by its license. The masters of those ships will positively take no chances of overloading their boats.

If the captain of the boats on Yaquina bay are overloading their boats they are violating one of the most stringent marine laws in existence and the matter should be brought to the attention of the proper authorities at once. It is beyond belief that the inspectors of boilers and hulls, men appointed to that position because they are supposed to be authority on matters pertaining to things marine, should sink to the level of bribe takers and pass unsafe life sav-

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MITCHELL GIRL AT WALDPORT

CITY PRESS STORY IN REGARD TO HOLY ROLLER WAS FALSE

WAS NOT IN CHINESE DEN

Went to Seattle Fair, but Returned to Waldport in Due Time and Has Been there Both before and Since---The Facts.

The lurid story floating around in the city press to the effect that Ester Mitchell, of Holy Roller fame, had been found in a Chinese den in some Washington coast town, was evidently a deliberate fabrication. It develops that with the exception of time spent on a trip to Seattle to make a report to officials and to see the fair, Easter Mitchell has been at the home of O. V. Hurt at Waldport and is there at this time. The Gazette-Times has no report from Mr. Hurt, personally, but has this assurance from various Corvallis campers in the vicinity of Waldport, and this morning corroboration comes from C. R. Evans, water bailiff at the coast resort. Mr. Evans said he had not seen the story referred to, but was confident that it was wholly incorrect as he is familiar with the news of the neighborhood and knows that since her arrival at the Hurt home several months ago, there has been nothing sensational or unpleasant connected with the name of Ester Mitchell. It is possible that

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COUNCIL DECIDES TO MOVE PROMPTLY IN PAVING OF SECOND STREET

AFTER HEARING REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE, ORDERS ENGINEER TO PREPARE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

WASHINGTON STREETERS SEND IN PETITION FOR PAVING

Special Committee Favors Bitulithic or Hassam for Pavement, and Says Price Should Determine Selection---Residents on Washington Street Would Like to Beat Those Who Would Pave Second Street First---A Total of Fifteen Blocks in Sight at the Present Time.

At its session last night the city council re-elected Fred Porter city engineer and instructed him to prepare plans and specifications for the paving of Second street and certain of the intersecting streets one block west.

The report of the special committee--Mayor Watters and Councilmen Skelton, Osborn and Johnson--was very short. In their opinion, bitulithic or Hassam is the most acceptable pavement and their recommendation is that the relative price at which these pavements can be secured should be the governing factor in the selection. This committee did not go into detail but said they would later if the council desired.

Petition for Pavement.

The property owners on Washington street have the paving fever. Last night a petition for the paving of that street from Second to Ninth street was presented and laid over for consideration tonight, a special session being arranged. The signers to the petition are ten in number, as follows: Thos. H. Cooper, Mrs. Bell, E. J. Newton, J. J. Howser, Ann Smith, Caroline Hayes, S. S. Ewing, J. F. Phillips

J. C. Young and Mrs. R. C. Kiger. Marshall Miller would not sign but said he would not oppose. A couple of others in favor would not sign, for family reasons. However, the petitioners are said to represent a majority of the people along the seven blocks.

Preliminaries to Paving

The Municipal Judge was instructed to secure a competent party to make a list of the people in whom titles to Second street property now repose.

Five hundred copies of notices to repair and replace sidewalks ordered printed.

A representative of the Warren Construction Co. was present and answered certain questions in regard to bitulithic pavement.

The Gazette-Time was selected as the official city paper temporarily, or until the matter can be adjusted according to the city charter.

Beginning Dec. 1, the Western Union will change the method of charging for code words. When words not in the dictionary are used, the charge will be for each five letters. This is to protect the Western Union from extremely long words formed by combining letters regardless of the meaning of the word.

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